

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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1. Most of the troops from Luebben and Spremberg were not observed at their military posts on 25 and 26 February. On 25 February, nine to twelve T-34/85 tanks and five to six trucks of the 9th Mechanized Division were being loaded at Luebben.<sup>1</sup>
2. Twelve T-34/85 tanks and trucks of the 9th Mechanized Division were being unloaded at the Baruth railroad station on 26 February. At 1145 hours of the same day, a troop train with 12 T-34/85 tanks was seen proceeding toward Baruth at the Klausdorf railroad station. Another troop train with about 18 T-34/85 tanks, four tank chassis, 13 motor vehicles and six boxcars with soldiers was observed entering the Dobrilugk railroad station at 1310 hours, coming from the direction of Finsterwalde.<sup>1</sup>
3. A tank unit of the 1st Mechanized Division entrained for Forst Zinna at the Dallgow-Doeberitz railroad station on 23 February. The unit returned again on 26 February. A troop train, destined for Jueterbog, was loaded with 12 x 120 mm mortars of the 1st Mechanized Division at the Dallgow - Doeberitz railroad station on 24 February. In the afternoon of 27 February, units of the 2nd Light Artillery Brigade were loaded on two trains at the Dallgow - Doeberitz railroad station.<sup>2</sup>

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train from Dallgow - Doeberitz to Forst Zinna on 23 February, one train from Dallgow-Doeberitz to Jueterbog on 24 February, one train [redacted] from Altengrabow to Wildpark and one train [redacted] from Jueterbog to Dallgow - Doeberitz on 26 February.<sup>2</sup> 25X1

5. The following entraining operations were observed on 27 February: one train [redacted]

[redacted] at Dallgow - Doeberitz, two trains [redacted]

[redacted] at Kuestrin - Kietz, and four trains [redacted]

at Forst Zinna.<sup>2</sup>

1. [redacted] Comment. This information confirms the assumption that exercises were probably started in the area northwest of Cottbus on about 26 February. At present it cannot be determined whether in addition to the 9th Mechanized Division other elements of the 3rd Guards Mechanized Army were involved.

2. [redacted] Comment. The shipments noted in paragraph 3 are also listed in paragraphs 4 and 5.

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